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## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-25 are pending in the above application. These claims are presented on Amended sheets 1-3 in the PCT International Preliminary Examination Report submitted herewith. Claims 4-6, 8-10, 13-16, and 18-19 have been amended to better conform to U.S. practice. Applicants respectfully request substantive examination on the merits.

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- 4. (Amended) Use of [any claims 1 to 3] claim 1 wherein said binding domain and/or said targeting domain is endogenous to the calycin or calycin multimer.
- 5. (Amended) Use of [any claims 1 to 3] claim 1 wherein said binding domain and/or said targeting domain is adapted by alteration of the endogenous binding and/or targeting domain or by substitution of the endogenous binding and/or targeting domain for a domain that has the required functionally.
- 6. (Amended) Use of [any claims 1 to 5] claim\_1 wherein said binding domain is adapted to bind more than one ligand.
- 8. (Amended) Use of [any claims 1 to 7] claim\_1 wherein the [or] at least one calycin has the ability to bind fatty acids that coat hair cuticles and/or skin or protein moieities that comprise the cuticle and/or skin.
- 9. (Amended) Use of claim 1 [any of the preceding claims] wherein the [or] at least one calvein is  $\beta$ -lactoglobulin.
- 10. (Amended) Use of [any claims 1 to 8] claim 1 wherein the [or] at least one calycin is Major Urinary Protein and/or recombinant Major Urinary Protein.
- 13. (Amended) A method according to [claim 11 and/or claim 12]claim 11 wherein the calycin comprises a molecular complex with more than one type of ligand binding domain, wherein calycin genes are fused to one another and/or appropriate linking regions are used to produce a multi component gene and gene product and/or interaction sites are introduced into individual monomers of the calycins such that on mixing the individual proteins, molecules assemble into muti-sub unit complexes with similar or different functionalities.

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14. (Amended) A method according to [claim 11 and/or claim 12]claim 11 wherein said method comprises chemical methods in the crosslinking of calycin monomers to form multimeric complexes.

- 15. (Amended) A method of claim 13 further comprising chemical methods in the crosslinking of calycin monmers to form multimeric complexes [a method of claim 14].
- 16. (Amended) A method of **[claim 14 or 15]** claim\_14 wherein said chemical methods include the use of a bifunctional cross-linking agent.
- 18. (Amended) A method of [claims 11 to 17] claim 11 to effect the cross-linking of β- Lactoglobulin and recombinant Major Urinary Protein.
- 19. (Amended) Use of hair or skin care composition at least one calycin as defined in [claims 1 to 10] claim 1.